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Part	Section	Subject	Policy No.	Review Date
Physical Plant	Inmate/Detainee Housing	Inmate Access to Toilets, Wash basins and Showers	2.3.2	
ACA Standards	3-ALDF-2C-08 Inmates Have Access to Toilets and Washbasins 24 Hours Per Day; 3-ALDF-2C-09 Inmates Have Access to Wash Basins With Hot Water; 3-ALDF-2C-10 Inmates Have Access to Shower With Hot and Cold Water; 3-ALDF-2E-08 Toilet and Wash Basin in Food Preparation Area			
Consent Decree	Paragraph 54, Develop Facility Policies and Procedures			

I. PURPOSE

To ensure that inmates/detainees have access to toilets, wash basins and shower 24 hours per day while housed in the Department of Corrections (DOC) facility.

II. POLICY

It is DOC policy that inmates/detainees practice good hygiene and to this end, all inmates/detainees will have access to toilets, wash basins and shower 24 hours per day.

III. PROCEDURES

A. Toilets

1. All inmates/detainees confined in cells will have access to toilets without staff assistance.
2. Toilets are provided at a minimum ratio of one for every 12 inmates in male facilities and one for every eight inmates in female facilities.
3. Urinals may be substituted for up to one-half of the toilets in male facilities.
4. All housing units with three or more inmates have a minimum of two toilets.
5. Toilet is available for staff at kitchen.

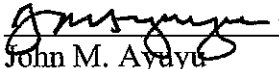
B. Wash basins

1. Inmates/detainees have access to operable wash basins with hot and cold running water in the housing units at a minimum ratio of one basin for every 12 occupants.

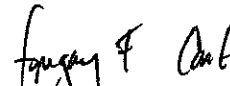
2. Inmates/detainees confined in cells have access to wash basins.
3. Inmates/detainees have access to wash basins in housing unit day rooms and other areas of the facility such as exercise yards.
4. Wash basin is available for staff at kitchen.

C. Showers

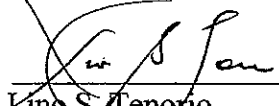
1. Inmates/detainees have access to operable showers with temperature-controlled hot and cold running water at a minimum ratio of one shower for every eight inmates/detainees.
2. Water for showers is thermostatically controlled temperature ranging from 100 degrees to 120 degrees Fahrenheit to ensure the safety of inmates/detainees and to promote hygienic practice.

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